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City Council

Why is City Council so important?? City Council is the voice of Cincinnati and the leaders of are profound city!! They Help and provide us with many things such as jobs, housings, stores for food, a safe economy to live in and overall a strong back bone in our community. This is what some people think City Council is all about but some believe differently than others. After interviewing three people from Cincinnati I have learned many similarities that people share about city council.

All three of the people I interviewed really had a great amount to say about City Council but honestly did not know many of the candidates who are running. They all felt open to discuss major issues such as jobs, poverty and violence. All three of the people that I interviewed did not want to get involved in politics and run in a race. The interviewee’s felt that were not capable of being able to voice their opinion in a respectable manner. Interviewee 1 did not want to get involved in politics because he felt he would not be a success. The first two people I interviewed felt that important issues go unheard such as the budget and how we are rapidly loosing money due to the foolish cable cars. Interviewee 2 believed not enough money is going towards education, this person states that “Allocating more money and time to schools will decrease student failures.” Interviewee’s 2&3 believed that the council should spend more time with the youth so that gang violence and dropout rates will decrease. All of my interviewee’s had a lot of similarities involving the city council but they also had many differences concerning many other things.

All of my interviewee’s viewed the Tea Party in different ways. Interviewee 1 said that he supports their ideas of a small government and low spending, while interviewee 2 says that they do not believe in treating everybody equally. Who is right, who is wrong?? When I asked each interviewee on the scale of 1-10 what grade would you give City Council now, the numbers were very distant from one another. Interviewee 1 gave city council a 3.